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ASSISTANT CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 1101 does advance. Mr. Clerk. We are now back to General File, where we left off. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, we're back to LB 752. I have a priority motion. Senator Byars would move to reconsider the vote just taken on the Chambers amendment, AM2443.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Byars, you're recognized to open on your motion to reconsider.

SENATOR BYARS: Yes, thank you, Senator Cudaback and members of the body. I, unfortunately, had to leave the floor at the...about the last 30 minutes of debate on LB 752 and didn't feel comfortable in voting either for or against, and I would like to have the opportunity, and I will yield the balance of my time to Senator Chambers, because I think that I would like to reconsider my vote. Thank you, Senator.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Byars. Senator Chambers, you have about almost four minutes. Excuse me.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I will not take all that time, Mr. President. I've talked to several senators who said they genuinely were not aware of what was being voted on when they came into the Chamber. What this amendment would do is to strike everything out of LB 752 as it exists now. LB 752, as it exists now, would say that a person would not have to be a lawyer to be a judge. All of that would be stricken. What would be inserted is the material that we've been discussing the last two days about informants' testimony. That provision that I had offered originally has been amended several times, so what Senator Byars' motion is would be that we reconsider the vote. I see others who are in the Chamber who had been excused who have told me that they would like to vote on this bill, so I hope you will vote green on the reconsideration motion, and the vote is...it will be, when we get to it, to adopt my amendment which would gut all that language about judges out of LB 752.